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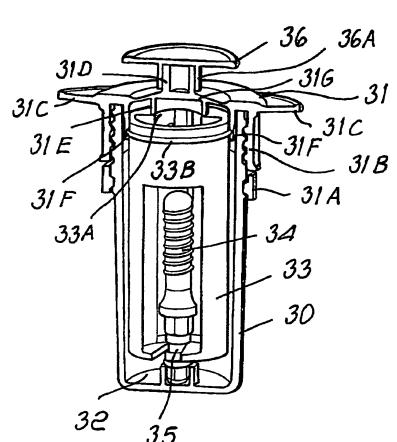
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a package for preserving a medical device or the like comprising an external capsule and a cap sealingly engaging the external capsule, wherein a means is provided for releasingly connecting medical device with the cap upon removing the cap and the medical device from the external capsule. In a variation the package may comprise in addition a transport means surrounded by the cap and extending therein, wherein the transport means is adapted for releasingly connecting to the medical device. Also a seal may be provided at an opening of the external capsule.

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